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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Farzan Rastinejad et al.

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Examiner: Richard L. Raymond

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Group Art Unit: 1624

TITLE:

METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR:

RESTORING CONFORMATIONAL

STABILITY OF A PROTEIN OF THE P53

FAMILY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Reply to Requirement of Restriction and Election including **Preliminary Amendment**

The present Reply is in response to the Requirement of Restriction and Election mailed by the Examiner herein on March 22, 2001.

Applicants request examination of the Group II claims, that is, Nos. 9-23.

To faciliate examination, Applicants now present replacement claims directed to the elected group II invention. These claims are Nos. 26-35 shown below, and examination may be limited to these claims. The claims are also limited to the disease state of cancer, again to facilitate examination.

As soon as a continuation application can be filed, Applicants will then cancel claims 1-25 from the present application. Cancellation is without prejudice to the presentation of these claims, and the subject matter thereof, in further continuation or divisional applications.

Since claims reciting particular chemical species are no longer pending, it is believed that the election requirement under 35 USC 121/37 CFR 1.146 has been made moot. However, to faciliate examination herein, Applicants respectfully direct attention to the disclosure in the Specification concerning the compound known as N-{2-[2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-vinyl]-quinazolin-4-yl}-N',N'-dimethyl-propane-1,3-diamine hydrochloride. The